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September 14, 2001

Mr. Little:

Due to the extraordinary and terribly unfortunate events of the past week, I am forwarding these materials to you pursuant to our conversations, a bit late. Please find enclosed:

- 1. Copy of incorrectly assigned serial no. 09/772,977 card for this application. I understand that this serial number was assigned to another application that was somehow "crossed" with this application. You indicated that a new serial number will be assigned to our Attorney Docket ALBRE-14 as soon as possible, and that you will forward that newly-assigned serial no. to us.
- 2. 15 Drawings. These drawings were apparently not submitted with the original submission. Please include the attached 15 drawings to this application.
- 3. English translation. I have enclosed an English translation of the German-language specification.
- 4. Original submission. Since this application was apparently "crossed" with another application by the PTO, a copy of the original submission is provided so that any documents from this application may be separated accordingly, and a new serial number assigned on an expedited basis. You indicated that a Notice to File Missing Parts will issue on an expedited basis as well.

As I mentioned, a diskette providing the sequence listing in computer readable form will be submitted in response to the Missing Parts notice, once everything is finally straightened out.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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